IOWA DISTRICT COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN RE: BENCH ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGES IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF POLK COUNTY FOR 2010

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2009-35

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that for calendar year 2010, District Court Judges of Judicial Election District 5-C (Polk County) are assigned to Polk County benches as follows:

CRIMINAL BENCH:	Richard G. Blane, II	No. 1	Room 204
	Joel D. Novak	No. 2 Trials	Room 209A
	Arthur E. Gamble	No. 3 Trials	Room 208
	D.J. Stovall	Drug Docket	Room 207

Judges assigned to Felony Criminal Trials shall occupy courtrooms 208 and 209A by seniority courtroom selection protocol. Judges assigned to the Criminal Dockets may be assigned elsewhere as needed.

DOMESTIC-FAMILY BENCH:

Donna L. Paulsen

Eliza J. Ovrom

Judges assigned to Domestic-Family Bench shall occupy Courtroom Nos. 412 and 413 by seniority courtroom selection protocol.

The Domestic-Family Bench shall, to the extent possible, preside over all dissolution and modification proceedings, annulments, paternity actions, child support recovery proceedings, Chapter 236 domestic abuse proceedings, child custody, private termination of parental rights and adoption proceedings excluding Chapter 232 proceedings where the petitioner is the Department of Human Services, a Juvenile Court Officer or the County Attorney. The judicial responsibility and workload of these two judges shall be fairly divided between them so that the needs of litigants and their attorneys are well served.

GENERAL TRIAL BENCH:

Robert B. Hanson
Robert A. Hutchison
Don C. Nickerson
Glenn E. Pille
Carla T. Schemmel
Michael D. Huppert
Karen A. Romano – Jury Judge
Douglas F. Staskal
Scott D. Rosenberg
Artis I. Reis
Robert J. Blink

Judges assigned to this Bench shall occupy jury courtrooms selected by them under the seniority courtroom selection protocol.

Judge assignments in future years shall be made pursuant to the assignment grid attached

hereto as "Exhibit A." This grid shall remain in effect until modified by Administrative Order of the Chief Judge.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any Judge not occupied with a matter in his/her assigned division, shall be available to handle any other matter in any division and any Judicial Election District within the Fifth Judicial District.

DATED this 15 day of October, 2009.

ARTHUR E. GAMBLE, CHIEF JUDGE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF IOWA

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District Court Judges - Fifth Judicial District
Senior Judges - Fifth Judicial District
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Court Reporters/Judicial Assistants/Court Attendants - Fifth Judicial District
Clerk of Court/County Attorney/Sheriff/Jail/ - Polk County
Fifth District Liaison Justice
State Court Administrator
Court Administration Staff/Case Coordinators - Polk County

Fifth Judicial District-District Judge Rotation Schedule for Polk County - Exhibit "A" Administrative

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